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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully proposed in response to the Final Office Action dated June 5, 2002, in order to put the claims in condition for allowance and in better form for appeal. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a three-month extension of time, is also submitted herewith.. A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached, with deletions indicated by brackets and additions indicated by underlining.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel Claims 9 and 10.

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

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